GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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VACANT POSTS IN TECHNICAL AND ENGINEERING COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the All India Council of Technical Education has submitted a report which states that there are over 10000 vacancies of teaching staff lying vacant at various technical and engineering colleges across the country;

(b) if so, the details and facts thereof;

(c) the number of vacancies lying vacant in Government colleges and since when;

(d) whether the Government has examined the reasons for such vacancies in Government colleges; and

(e) if so, action taken by the AICTE in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) to (e) : The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has not submitted any such report. However, there is a general shortage of teachers in Technical Institutes including Engineering Colleges in the country. Appointments in Government Colleges are made according to procedures laid down by the respective authorities. Minute details of vacancy position are not maintained centrally. Filling up of vacancies is a dynamic and continuous process. The vacancies are primarily due to non- availability of suitable teachers, particularly at higher level, because of the relative disinclination of competent professionals to join the teaching profession in view of generally better opportunities available elsewhere. To address the issue, AICTE has taken various initiatives by way of launching new schemes and strengthening existing schemes. AICTE has launched Early Faculty Induction Programme to attract bright students who can take up teaching as their career, by providing them scholarships to pursue post-graduate course at reputed institutions. Quality Improvement Programme provides opportunity to technical teachers to obtain higher qualifications. AICTE has also increased scholarship amount for post-graduate course to attract more students.